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PROCLAMATION

International Compost Awareness Week

WHEREAS, the Composting Council Research and Education Foundation, Canada, Australia and the United Kingdom have declared the May 6-12, 2018 to be the annual International Composting Awareness Week; and,

WHEREAS, composting is a way of nourishing soil while reducing erosion, conserving water, reducing non-point source pollution, decreasing chemical fertilizer use; and,

WHEREAS, composting is an effective form of waste reduction, reuse, and recycling, whereby organic materials are converted into a beneficial product known as compost; and,

WHEREAS, International Compost Awareness Week is a publicity and education initiative to showcase compost production and demonstrate use, promoting the importance of compost for healthy soil and clean water, now and for the future; and,

WHEREAS, this week recognizes the efforts of the Composting Council Research and Education Foundation, extension Agents, soil conservation stewards, householders, landscapers, farmers, recyclers, public workers, composters, gardeners, and plant growers everywhere to preserve our local soils and waterways; and,

WHEREAS, Henderson County supports and promotes waste diversion through public education, waste reduction programs, and community engagement as a resource steward and member of the US Composting Council and NC Composting Council Chapter;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that we, the Henderson County Board of Commissioners, do hereby designate May 6-12, 2018 as International Compost Awareness Week in Henderson County and encourage all County officials, employees, students, and residents to participate in and learn about local waste diversion educational activities.

Adopted this the 7th day of May 2018.

J. MICHAEL EDNEY, CHAIRMAN

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ATTEST:

TERESA L. WILSON, CLERK TO THE BOARD